

# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611



## Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 5, 2012

10:00 AM

Board Room

### Board of Commissioners

*Commissioner Michael A. Alvarez, Commissioner Frank Avila, Commissioner Patricia Horton, Vice- President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Kathleen Therese Meany, Chairman of Finance Cynthia M. Santos, Commissioner Debra Shore, Commissioner Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, President Terrence J. O'Brien*

#### **THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:**

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.*
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.*
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.*
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.*

## Call Meeting to Order

President Terrence J. O'Brien presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

## Roll Call

**Present:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez; Frank Avila; Patricia Horton; Barbara J. McGowan; Kathleen Therese Meany; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Terrence J. O'Brien

## Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Kathleen Therese Meany, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

## Recess and Reconvene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Kathleen Therese Meany, seconded by Patricia Horton, to recess and reconvene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of Ayes - No Nays

## Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 1:05 p.m. President O'Brien reconvened the regular board meeting to order

## Finance Committee

### Report

1 [11-1645](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of November 2011, in the amount of \$37,370,674.91

**Attachments:** [November 2011 Disbursement](#)

Published and Filed

2 [12-0020](#) Report on payment of principal and interest for outstanding District bonds due on December 1, 2011

**Attachments:** [DS 2011-12.att.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

## Procurement Committee

**Report**

3      [12-0005](#)      Report of bid opening of Tuesday, December 20, 2011

**Published and Filed**

4      [12-0010](#)      Report of bid opening of Tuesday, December 13, 2011

**Published and Filed**

5      [12-0042](#)      Report on rejection of bids for Contract 12-988-12, Services to Maintain Crossing Signal Systems at the HASMA and Ridgeland Railroad Crossings, estimated cost \$60,000.00

**Published and Filed**

**Authorization**

6      [12-0044](#)      Authorization to amend Board Order of January 22, 2009, for Authority to award Contract 08-RFP-03, Geographic Information System Consulting Services, to Michael Baker Jr., Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$2,888,500.00, Accounts 101-66000-601170; 201-50000-601170, Purchase Order 3057983, Agenda Item No. 31, File No. 09-0051

**Approved**

**Authority to Advertise**

7      [12-0001](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 12-028-11 Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Laboratory Supplies to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$63,000.00, Account 101-20000-623570

**Approved**

8      [12-0018](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 12-431-11 Refinish Wood Panels in offices of the Main Office Building (MOB), estimated cost \$25,000.00, Account 101-15000-612680, Requisition 1333134

**Approved**

9      [12-0019](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 12-435-11 Furnish, Deliver, and Install Kitchen Equipment in the Main Office Building Cafeteria, estimated cost \$42,500.00, Account 101-15000-623990, Requisition 1333467

**Deferred by Cynthia M. Santos**

10      [12-0021](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 12-429-11 Furnish, Deliver, and Install one 25 HP Inverter Motor with a Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) for the Marley Cooling Tower at the McMillan Pavilion, estimated cost \$30,000.00, Account 101-15000-612680, Requisition 1333132

**Approved**

11      [12-0023](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 04-131-2D Rehabilitation of the A/B and C/D Service Tunnels - Phase One, Stickney WRP, estimated cost \$9,674,000.00, Account 401-50000-645750, Requisition 1335454

**Approved**

12      [12-0030](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 12-864-11 Seal Coating of Roads in Fulton County, Illinois, estimated cost \$44,000.00, Account 101-68000-612420, Requisition 1334994

**Approved**

13      [12-0031](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 12-718-11 Maintain and Repair Boilers at the Egan Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$66,000.00, Account 101-67000-612680, Requisition 1331293

**Approved**

#### **Issue Purchase Order**

14      [12-0002](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into agreement with Calco, Ltd. for Preventative Maintenance, Emergency Repair Service and Parts for Water Purification Systems at Various Locations for Three Years, in an amount not to exceed \$76,500.00, Account 101-16000-612490, Requisition 1330864

**Approved**

15      [12-0003](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with YSI, Incorporated, to Repair Multiparameter Water Quality Monitors, in an amount not to exceed \$33,901.20, Account 101-16000-612970, Requisition 1333902

**Approved**

16      [12-0008](#)      Issue purchase order for Contract 12-673-11, Furnish and Deliver Repair Parts and Services for Trucks and Trailers at Various Locations, to B&W Truck Repair, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$235,600.00, Accounts 101, 501-50000, 67000, 69000-612860, 623250, Requisitions 1328141, 1328438, 1328437, 1328439, and 1325591

**Approved**

17      [12-0009](#)      Issue purchase order for Contract 12-927-11, Furnishing and Delivering Parts and Services to Repair PLC Modules for the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to EESCO, Division of Wesco Distribution, Inc., d/b/a Englewood Electrical Supply, in an amount not to exceed \$36,000.00, Account 101-69000-612650, Requisition 1329990  
*Mariyana T. Spyropoulos lifted her earlier deferral*  
**Approved**

18      [12-0011](#)      Issue purchase orders to Furnish and Deliver Maintenance, Repair and Operating Catalog Products, under the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) Cooperative Purchasing Contract #102109-WWG to W.W. Grainger, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$293,800.00, Accounts 101-15000, 16000, 20000, 27000, 66000, 67000, 68000, 69000-623070, 623090, 623110, 623130, 623170, 623190, 623250, 623270, 623660, 623680, 623700, 623810, and 623990, Requisitions 1325264, 1325272, 1325553, 1325309, 1325597, 1325593, 1325271 and 1325020  
**Approved**

19      [12-0013](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with SimplexGrinnell, L.P., for Maintenance and Repair Services for SimplexGrinnell Fire Alarm Systems at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, for a Five (5) Year Period, in an amount not to exceed \$379,260.00, Account 101-69000-612780, Requisition 1325291  
**Approved**

20      [12-0015](#)      Issue purchase order to Gasvoda & Associates, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver Four (4) Pump Rotating Assemblies to the Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$81,772.00, Account 201-50000-645750, Requisition 1332603  
**Approved**

21      [12-0052](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 12-RFP-01 Perform Federal Legislative Consulting Services, with Carmen Group, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$417,600.00, Account 101-15000-601170, Requisition 1327265  
**Approved**

**Award Contract**

22      [12-0006](#)      Authority to award Contract 12-027-11, Furnish and Deliver Glass and Plastic Labware to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Group A to A. Daigger & Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$33,378.18, Group B to Spectrum Chemical & Lab Products, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$27,486.98, and Group C to Crown Packaging International, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$100,471.04, Account 101-20000-623570  
**Approved**

23      [12-0007](#)      Authority to award Contract 11-699-13, Environmental Cleanup and Emergency Response at Various District Facilities, to SET Environmental, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$98,000.00, Account 101-66000-612520, Requisition 1318236

**Approved**

24      [12-0012](#)      Authority to award Contract 12-022-11, Furnish and Deliver Diesel Grade Fuel Oil to Various Locations, for a One (1) Year Period, to Avalon Petroleum Company in an amount not to exceed \$470,000.00, Accounts 101-16000, 66000, 67000, 68000, 69000-623820, Requisitions 1330442, 1330437, 1331298, 1330422, 1330411, 1330421, and 1330429

**Approved**

25      [12-0014](#)      Authority to award Contract 12-041-11, Furnish and Deliver Data Storage Cartridges to Various Locations, for a One (1) Year Period, to Backupworks.com, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$75,250.00, Account 101-20000-623810

**Approved**

26      [12-0017](#)      Authority to award Contract 12-021-11, Furnish and Deliver Unleaded Gasoline to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Item 1, to Petroleum Traders Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$268,000.00, Item 2, to G. Cooper Oil Co. Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$97,000.00, Accounts 101-20000, 66000-623820

**Approved**

27      [12-0046](#)      Authority to award Contract 12-003-11, Furnish and Deliver Laboratory Disposable Gloves and Flexible Tubing to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Group A to Bushnell, Incorporated, for an amount not to exceed \$12,221.00, and Group B to Cicero Manufacturing & Supply Company, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$45,295.28, Account 101-20000-623570

**Approved**

#### **Increase Purchase Order/Change Order**

28      [12-0024](#)      Authority to increase Contract 99-467-2E Electrical Upgrade; Pumps, Motors and Drives Replacement; and Elevator Upgrades, Egan Water Reclamation Plant, to Divane Brothers Electric Company, in an amount of \$35,311.00, from an amount of \$9,074,720.00, to an amount not to exceed \$9,110,031.00, Account 401-50000-645750, Purchase Order 5000959

**Attachments:**      [CO 99-467-2E.pdf](#)

**Approved**

29      [12-0025](#)      Authority to increase Contract 07-168-3P Scum Concentration, Centrifuge Building, Preliminary & Imhoff Tanks, Elevator Improvements, Diffuser Plates and Trailer Replacement, Stickney Service Area, LASMA, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$244,530.00, from an amount of \$22,535,836.55, to an amount not to exceed \$22,780,366.55, Accounts 401-50000-645750 and 645780, Purchase Order 5001198

**Attachments:**      [CO 07-168-3P.pdf](#)

**Approved**

30      [12-0026](#)      Authority to increase Contract 04-201-4F Tollway Dam, Grout Curtain and Quarry Plugs, Thornton Composite Reservoir, Calumet Service Area, to F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen and Associates LLC, and Cabo Construction Corporation, Joint Venture, in an amount of \$40,370.00, from an amount of \$71,452,867.76, to an amount not to exceed \$71,493,237.76, Account 401-50000-645620, Purchase Order 5001105

**Attachments:**      [CO 04-201-4F.pdf](#)

**Approved**

31      [12-0033](#)      Authority to increase Contract 11-653-11, Underground Infrastructure Cleaning at Various Service Areas, to Sheridan Plumbing & Sewer, Inc., in an amount of \$125,000.00, from an amount of \$953,000.00 to an amount not to exceed \$1,078,000.00, Account 101-67000-612600, Purchase Order 5001292

**Approved**

32      [12-0034](#)      Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement with Barnes & Thornburg, for legal services in the pending rulemaking before the Illinois Pollution Control Board entitled, In the matter of: water quality standards and effluent limitations for the Chicago area waterways system and the lower Des Plaines River: proposed amendments to 35 Ill. Adm. Code Parts 301, 302, 303 and 304, R08-09 (Rulemaking-Water), in an amount of \$150,000.00, from an amount of \$1,240,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$1,390,000.00, Account 101-30000-601170, Purchase Order 3049607

**Attachments:**      [C.O. Barnes.Thornburg.1.5.12.pdf](#)

**Approved**

33      [12-0035](#)      Authority to decrease purchase order and amend agreement for Contract 05-837-2P Mechanical and Electrical Consulting Support Services with Stanley Consultants, Inc., in an amount of \$89,000.00, from an amount of \$1,200,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$1,111,000.00, Account 201-50000-601420, Purchase Order 3052467

Attachments:      [CO 05-837-2E.pdf](#)

Approved

34      [12-0041](#)      Authority to increase Contract 73-161-JH McCook Reservoir Stage 2 Miscellaneous Overburden Removal, to T.J. Lambrecht Construction Inc., in an amount of \$13,030.00, from an amount of \$7,055,748.00, to an amount not to exceed \$7,068,778.00, Account 401-50000-645620, Purchase Order 5001132

Attachments:      [CO 73-161-JH.pdf](#)

Approved

35      [12-0043](#)      Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement with AT&T Mobility National Accounts LLC, for Contract 08-RFP-11 for the Purchase, Installation and Configuration of Cellular Telephones, Accessories and Wireless Communications Services in an amount of \$103,699.75, from an amount of \$606,000.00 to an amount not to exceed \$709,699.75, Account 101-27000-612210, Purchase Order 3054860

Deleted by the Executive Director

36      [12-0048](#)      Authority to increase Contract 10-625-11, Diving Services at Various Locations, to Veolia ES Special Services, Inc., in an amount of \$20,000.00, from an amount of \$103,205.00 to an amount not to exceed \$123,205.00, Account 101-66000-612490, Purchase Order 5001109

Attachments:      [10-625-11 for 20120105 BOC pdf.pdf](#)

Approved

## Engineering Committee

### Report

37      [12-0028](#)      Report to the Board on guidelines for the use of Green Infrastructure to meet MWRD stormwater detention requirements

Attachments:      [Green Infrastructure Guidelines.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

## Judiciary Committee

### Authorization

38      [11-1646](#)      Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Donald Caldwell vs. MWRDGC, File No. 200005003, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission, in the sum of \$16,618.00. Account 901-30000-601090

**Approved**

## Maintenance & Operations Committee

### Reports

39      [12-0016](#)      Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Maintenance and Operations during the month of November 2011.

**Attachments:**      [Change orders for November 2011.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

## Real Estate Development Committee

### Authorization

40      [12-0037](#)      Authority to grant a 25-year easement to Commonwealth Edison Company to operate, maintain, service, repair, and remove an electrical substation and overhead electrical transmission lines on approximately 20.50 acres of District land located south of 135th Street in Romeoville, Will County, Illinois; Main Channel Parcel 18.03. Consideration shall be an initial annual fee of \$67,000.00.

**Attachments:**      [01-05-12\\_CoEd.pdf](#)

**Approved**

41      [12-0038](#)      Authority to enter into a 39-year lease agreement with the City of Chicago for the use of approximately 33 acres of unimproved District real estate located at 2025 East 134th Street in Chicago to build and operate a police training facility and an outdoor firing range. Consideration shall be \$10.00, free use of the firing range by District police officers and free tuition at the Chicago Metro Police Academy for District recruits. (*Deferred from the December 15, 2011, Board Meeting*)

**Attachments:**      [01-05-12\\_City of Chicago.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Kathleen Therese Meany, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Michael A. Alvarez, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Terrence J. O'Brien

**Nay:** 4 - Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

**42**      [12-0039](#)      Authority to issue a 1-year permit to NuStar Energy to continue to use 0.50 acres of District real estate located near 131st Street and Kedzie Avenue in Blue Island and known as Cal-Sag Channel Parcel 13.02 to operate a barge dock and ancillary pipelines. Consideration shall be a lump sum payment of \$77,000.00 and a permit fee of \$7,000.00. (*Deferred from the December 15, 2011, Board Meeting*)

**Attachments:**      [01-05-12\\_NuStar Energy.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Debra Shore, that this Agenda Item be Deferred. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

**43**      [12-0040](#)      Issue orders approving an assignment of the 5-year lease between the District, Lessor, and SG Supply Company, Lessee, to Ferguson Enterprises, Inc., Assignee, on 1.18 acres of unimproved real estate located at 12900 S. Throop Street in Calumet Park, Illinois; Cal-Sag Channel Parcel 16.04. Consideration shall be a \$2,500.00 document preparation fee.

**Attachments:**      [01-05-12\\_SG Supply.pdf](#)

**Approved**

**44**      [12-0051](#)      Authority to issue a 5-year non-exclusive roadway easement to Waste Management of Illinois for use of a roadway along Jeffrey Avenue (Extended) between 134th and 137th Streets in Chicago, Illinois. Consideration shall be a biosolids disposal agreement.

**Attachments:**      [01-05-12\\_Waste Management.pdf](#)

**Approved**

## **Stormwater Management Committee**

### **Report**

45      [12-0032](#)      Report on meeting held at City of Markham on November 7, 2011 regarding natural channel approach to address erosion and flooding at Calumet Union Drainage Ditch in Markham, Illinois under Contract 10-882-5F, Streambank Stabilization Projects on Tinley Creek, Midlothian Creek, and Calumet Union Drainage Ditch

Attachments:      [CUDD Channel Overview.pdf](#)  
[CUDD Channel Site.pdf](#)  
[CUDD Alternatives Presentation](#)

**Published and Filed**

## **Miscellaneous and New Business**

### **Motion**

46      [12-0036](#)      MOTION to amend previously adopted motion to reimburse the relocation expenses incurred by the Executive Director

**A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Patricia Horton, that this Motion be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

47      [12-0049](#)      MOTION to appoint the firm of Edward F. McElroy and Associates as Public Relations Consultant for Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

**A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Patricia Horton, that this Motion be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

### **Additional Agenda Items**

48      [12-0053](#)      Authorization to amend Board Order of September 1, 2011, regarding Furnish and Deliver Cisco Maintenance to the Main Office Complex, in an amount not to exceed \$434,059.86, Account 101-27000-612840, Requisition 1327381, Agenda Item No. 78, File No. 11-1097

**Approved**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 9, 35, 41, 42, 46, 47, 49 and 50**

**A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Patricia Horton, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

**49**      [\*\*12-0055\*\*](#)      MOTION to re-appoint Donald J. Storino as a member of the Civil Service Board of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

**A motion was made by Patricia Horton, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that this Motion be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

**50**      [\*\*12-0056\*\*](#)      MOTION to appoint Barbara J. McGowan as Trustee of the MWRD Retirement Fund

**A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Patricia Horton, that this Motion be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

## Meeting Summary

### Speakers

*Various environmental and community organizations voiced concerns and discordance of the proposed lease agreement (Re: Real Estate Item #41)*

*Representatives from the Chicago Police Department answered questions from the Board and the public regarding the proposed lease agreement (Re: Real Estate Item #41)*

*George Blakemore, concerned citizen, voiced concern regarding agenda item (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #47)*

**Summary of Requests***Eileen McElligott*

*Cynthia M. Santos requested the cafeteria present a healthier menu (Re: Procurement Item #9)*

*Frank Avila inquired on the cost for District Police Officer training (Re: Real Estate Item #41)*

*David St. Pierre*

*Mariyana T. Spyropoulos requested that bids be reviewed to avoid overestimates (Re: Procurement Item #25)*

*Terrence J. O'Brien requested that continual fence and barrier maintenance be addressed in the lease agreement (Re: Real Estate Item #41)*

*Barbara J. McGowan requested that hours of operation and weaponry storage be addressed in the lease agreement (Re: Real Estate Item #41)*

*Barbara J. McGowan will forward a list of questions to be answered regarding the site (Re: Real Estate Item #42)*

*Cynthia M. Santos requested that the District express interest in participating in the Millennium Reserve Project and any correspondence be relayed to the Board*

**Study Session**

*Jim Dencek will survey the Board for a mutually convenient date to schedule Study Sessions to discuss green infrastructure and District land use.*

**Announcements**

*None*

**Board Letter Submission Dates**

**The next regular board meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2012, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.**

**Date agenda items are due to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management for signature and preparation: January 6, 2012**

**Date Board letters are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., January 11, 2012**

**Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Patricia Horton, that when the Board adjourns it adjourns to meet on Thursday, January 19, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. and that today's meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**/s/ Jacqueline Torres, Clerk**

**Aye: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien**

**APPROVAL:**

**In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this January 5, 2012, are hereby approved.**

**APPROVED:**

**/s/ Terrence J. O'Brien  
President Board of Commissioners of the  
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago**

**January 5, 2012**